



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Applicant : Nobuo Ogasawara
Application No. : 09/973,303
Filed : October 9, 2001
Title : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MANAGING EXPIRATION-DATED PRODUCTS
UTILIZING AN ELECTRONIC RECEIPT

Grp./Div : 3627
Examiner : Kenneth R. Rice

Docket No. : 47410/JEC/F179

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated **October 16, 2002** for 3 month(s) from **January 16, 2003** to **April 16, 2003**.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 55	\$110	\$
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$205	\$410	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$465	\$930	\$930.00
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$725	\$1450	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$985	\$1970	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ **930.00** to cover the cost of the extension.

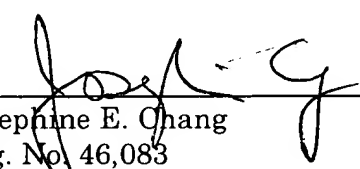
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

Respectfully submitted,

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